

CALENDAR

January—

- 28—Noon rally, V and JV basketball—San Ramon, here.
- 29—Acalanes Statesman Cake Sale.
- 30—Student Council, 2nd period; Music Dept. Field Trip.
- 31—Block "A" Hootennany in Gym, 8:30-11:30; Frosh basketball at Campolindo; wrestling at Las Lomas.

February—

- 3-7—Noon movie.
- 4—V & JV basketball at Las Lomas.
- 6—Student Council, 3rd; Actors workshop assembly.
- 7—Rally schedule; noon volleyball; JV basketball vs. Delvalle, here; Frosh basketball at Las Lomas.
- 10-14—Noon movie.
- 11—V & JV basketball vs. Alhambra, here; Frosh basketball vs. San Ramon, here.
- 12—Holiday.
- 13—Fleur de Lys Cake Sale.
- 14—V & JV basketball vs. Miramonte, here; Fresh basketball, here.

PARENTS CLUB PROVIDES SWIM TEAM UNIFORMS

Mr. Bernard Rocca, representing the Parent's Club, gave Mr. Dobbins, head of the Swim Team, money for new uniforms. This included 36 sweat shirts and swim suits to go along with them. These suits will be blue and white striped with the boy's name embroidered on the front.

We hope that this will raise the spirit of the Swim team, although their spirit is very high anyway. Let's show the team how much spirit Acalanes has and this year Acalanes will win the championship hands down. Last year, we beat everyone except Las Lomas, and this year we hope to beat them.

Mr. Dobbins is very pleased to see these suits because he really feels that it helps the team spirit, having everyone out to cheer our team on to victory. The season starts on February 17. Among the boys who will be swimming are Trey Fisher, John McMurray, Eric Neighbor, Mike Pitts, Bix Whitcomb, Ron Medak, Denny Downey, Mark Evans, Scott Walde, Gordy Hollingsworth, and many others.

3 Donnas to Sing at National Exposition

Terrie Duffy, Debbie Jones, and Tina Linder have been chosen to sing in the California Girls Choir which has been invited to perform at the Swiss National Exposition, to be held in Lausanne, Switzerland. The Exposition is held once every 25 years and this invitation is a great honor to the choir. On the return trip the Choir will be singing at the New York World's Fair.

Mr. John Vaznaian is the director for the Choir, and he along with his wife, who is the assistant director of the Choir, will chaperone the girls.

The Choir members will have the opportunity to stay overnight in private homes in the various countries they are to visit.

June 17 the girls will fly by Jet Airliner from California to

Ireland. From Ireland they will then visit other countries, Scotland, Wales, England, Belgium, Germany, Austria, Yugoslavia, Italy, Switzerland, and France in their respective order above.

The Choir will sing folk songs; popular songs, like those from "West Side Story" and "The Sound of Music"; and the selection will include a few classics.

The girls will wear two costumes representing California. One is a navy blue blazer with an emblem of the California Girls Choir, white blouses with each girls own name on her blouse, and California plaid blue and brown skirt. The other will be a pioneer dress of gingham in pastel shades, to be worn while singing folk songs.



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ACALANES HOSTS TWO FOREIGN STUDENTS

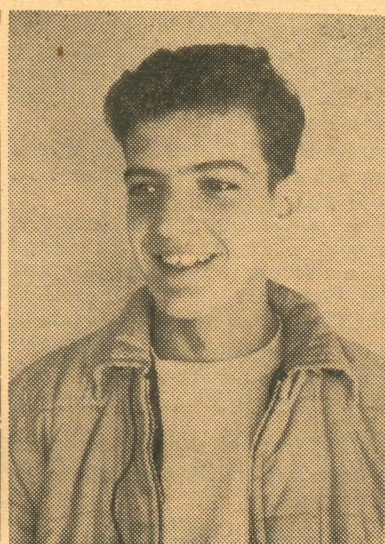
This year Acalanes again has the privilege of hosting another foreign exchange student, Kiki Unell, who came to California from her native land of Sweden. When asked how she likes going to Acalanes, she said that "it is a great experience" and she enjoys it very much. Kiki feels that she has grown and developed greatly from participating in the foreign exchange program and is grateful that she was given the opportunity. The students are Acalanes are "very open-minded and so friendly." Kiki also enjoys the games "especially the yelling and the spirit," and attends then whenever she can fit them into her busy weekend schedule. When asked about boys she stated, "boys are the same all over the world," she does feel, however, that the boys in the United States are more polite. The thing which surprises Kiki the most is the largeness of California alone, which is as big as her own Sweden.

Kiki is presently taking Spanish II, A Cappella, American History, P.E., Trigonometry, English III, and French III. The school system in Sweden is more academic than in the United States. She is attending the Gymnasium which is almost the same as our high school. Kiki plans to enter College Preparatory School in Sweden and major either in medicine or Sweden Foreign Affairs, which is the study of languages.

Kiki lives in a small village outside of Gothenburg, Sweden, with her parents, one brother, and an English bulldog. Kiki enjoys participating in many activities, especially those which take place outside. These include swimming and riding, and in the winter, skiing and ice skating. She also enjoys reading very much. She misses the snow which California lacks. However, she



KIKI UNELL



EDUARDO CAMARA

has visited Sierra Nevada, where she was able to ski.

Kiki is presently staying with Wynne Furth, which includes Mr. and Mrs. Furth and Wynne's small sister. She will fortunately be with Acalanes the entire year and will graduate with 1964 class on June 11. After this she is scheduled for a week's tour of the United States and will end up in Washington to talk with the President. From there she will head back for Sweden.

KELLY SELECTED TO VISIT SOUTH AFRICA

Kelly Wisner was selected by the Hoffmeyr family in South Africa to come and live with them for a year through the American Field Service Program. The town in which she will live is near Johannesburg. Kelly's new family consist of her father, who is an attorney, her mother, her three sisters, and one brother.

Kelly will be attending an all girls' school along with her sisters, where it is required that the girls wear uniforms. She explained that the school program there will be quite different from that here at Acalanes. It will not be necessary for Kelly to attend a language camp. (There are set up especially for students coming from other countries to learn the language of the country they will be staying in) because surprisingly enough, the language spoken is English in the area Kelly will be in.

Kelly has one sister who is as old as she is, sixteen, and the other two are twelve and fourteen. Her new brother is six years old. Her sisters enjoy classical music, art, and play the piano. Although Kelly has the same interests, she says, "I feel inferior."

The weather in South Africa is exactly the opposite of what we are experiencing here; it is summer there. The climate is like that of Southern California—warm and no snow. During the vacation, the family may travel to the Cape of Good Hope and along the way visit some of the game reserves to watch the animals.

Argentina Boy Spends Vacation Studying Here

Did you ever want to spend two months of your summer vacation studying at Acalanes? Our newest addition to the Freshman class, Alec Bisi, from Argentina, is doing just that.

Alec is from Buenos Aires, Argentina, where it is now summer. He was invited by the Dr. Light family of Lafayette to spend some time here. Alec will spend two months studying at Acalanes, and one month in New York, Vermont, and Washington D.C., skiing.

Alec says that his school in Argentina, and Acalanes are academically the same, but in other ways they are quite different. He attends a private school for boys from 7:30-12:10, and then from 1:15-4:10 five days a week. Alec has six morning classes and four afternoon classes. The main difference between the schools is that in Argentina the teachers change classes instead of the students.

Alec's morning classes in Argentina are given in the Spanish language, and his afternoon classes are given in English. Alec takes such Spanish classes as math, political instruction, geography, history, art, and shop. His English classes include math (algebra, geometry, and a little trigonometry), English history and geography, and English language and literature. At Acalanes, Alec is taking General Math, Spanish IV, English I, French II, P.E., Biology, and Crafts.

Alec enjoys golfing; he belongs to four clubs in Argentina. Alec saw our style of dancing when he was in Los Angeles, and he was admittedly confused. In Argentina they do the twist, but more often, the fox trot and the more conventional dances.

Alec finds not only our dancing but our language quite difficult. Not the conventional English, but the slang used around the school. But Alec says that he doesn't mind it if he doesn't understand it, and that there is

Acalanes is fortunate to have foreign exchange students each year. These students are excellent representatives of their country and one is able to learn a great deal from them. Although their views on many subjects are quite different than ours, it makes us realize American views and ways of life are not the only ones in the world. Acalanes is happy to have Eduardo Camara as one of our foreign exchange students this year.

Eduardo is from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, where he lives with his parents, two sisters, and a brother. He has both a city and a country home. In the city, he is only one block from the beach where he swims and surfs almost every day. His country home, two hours away, has a stable, tennis court, swimming pool, and sauna bath. Eduardo loves to ride, play tennis and volleyball, and swim.

He is interested in cars (he owns a Volkswagon), although one is not allowed to drive in Brazil until the age of 18. This causes a problem in dating, but it is easily solved. The boys and girls meet at parties, the beach, etc. Buses are available if they decide to go to the show.

Schools in Brazil is quite different than school here. Eduardo attends a private school where only solids are taught. You have no choice in the courses you take. He attends school from seven to eleven in the morning, and then usually spends about three hours on homework later in the afternoon. In Brazil, one attends four years of grammar school, five years of junior high, and three years of high school. After completing high school, you take a test to determine whether or not you go to college.

We are indeed fortunate to have Eduardo as a member of the Acalanes student body, and we sincerely hope he is enjoying his stay in America.



ALEC BISI

much confusing slang used in Argentina also.

When asked about Acalanes in general, Alec says that the upperclassmen are much more friendly than the lower-classmen, and—"This school is very nice. I enjoy it very much here. Since Acalanes is much like my school in Argentina, I don't miss it at all."



KELLY WISNER

THIS IS ACALANES

By LOUISE MOLYNEAUX

This last couple of weeks have signified the end of several things at Acalanes. The most important, perhaps, being Christmas vacation. Lots of kids went away (Tahoe and skiing, Arizona and sun, south and freedom) and lots stayed at home, reveling in fog, and parties, and sleeping late in the morning. Now everyone (most everyone, anyway) is back and facing the cold fact that after Easter vacation there are two and a half months of pure school! That's right—not one single vacation (unless you count Senior Cut Day, and after the last couple of years it's best not to . . .).

There was also the finishing of the quarter's book reports (or reading 1500 pages in two days), vocabulary lists, and maybe term papers. These last two weekends have been busy ones cause there were so many "loose ends" to finish. "All I have to do is type it . . . and maybe rewrite a couple pages . . ." And, of course, finals! No words can be found to properly describe the fun that goes into studying for finals. Welllll, I'm sure they can be found but it would be difficult to get them past the censors and into this column!



SUE PENNINGTON

Seniors can finally relax! College applications are in and the last semester doesn't matter . . . too much. Ohhhh—if only we could!

In spite of all the finishing up for the semester break (which includes changing out of classes whose teachers don't appreciate genuine effort and thus have flunked you) Acalanes still goes on as usual. One poor girl in Home Ec., though, almost called it quits before Christmas. She had made a beautiful candy house (cookies, marshmallows, hard candy, the works) and stuck it in the oven to keep it safe. Then, a little later, someone happened along and turned the oven on . . . and boy! what a mess.

Another unfortunate incident ending the old year occurred in John Quincy's biology class. It seems John's friend laid the dissected frog on a stool and when John sat down—wellll. . .

The boy's in second period gym deserve special congratulations. Practically all the boys on the class's football teams made the 1963 All-League Team. The "coach's" note appearing with the list was rather interesting: "Congratulations to all boy's making All-League football. This indicates a great season. Special congrats to Team 5, League Champ." The handwriting bore a curious resemblance to Jim Schrupp's (of Team 5). We even had an All-League water boy—must be quite an honor!

Then there's the usual weird comments or actions that seem to thrive around here. Just ask Linda Healy and Nancy Peacock what they were wearing 7th period Wednesday. Or ask Carol Bates why she has to stand on chairs in Clothing to try on a skirt. Some people are just always asking for attention! George Tickner put the entire library in laughter the other day when he walked in with a mask on, but what did Mrs. Fletcher think of it? . . . he was looking for her! Anyone in Mr. Mayes' English classes will appreciate Steve Wickersham's predicament when he asked "Is there a lot of questions?" Mr. Mayes reported, "Yes, there am."

You can't get far on campus without some degrading comment on the cafeteria lunches. From the lack of knives ("is this a prison?") to last Thursday's beans (vintage 1902). Jeff Viguers sat down to a nice large bowl of them and nearly choked on the first mouthful. (Jeff was lucky, others got caught on the first bean!) Anyway, the cafeteria thinks so much of their food that all he could get in exchange was a piece of bread and a thin dime.

Two senior girls would like to know what you should do when the toll collector (on the Bay Bridge) squeezes your hand as he takes your money. It does make you wonder!

Soph Lowdown

By JUDY STENSGAARD

It is time for me to pass to you some "on-the-spot" reports involving students in the class of '66.

While skiing at Heavenly Valley two weeks ago, BECKY McKEE thought she would get off the ski lift before it reached the top of the mountain. We are fortunate to still have you with us, Becky!

JAN CHRIST-ENSON and LAURIE VOGT were seen cruising on Bear



Creek Road late one Saturday night. Well, girls, what's your excuse this time?

HOLLY SCHEU was modeling a pair of wooden shoes on December 9 . . . (As it wasn't Thursday) we presume that PAUL-ETTE LONGA was providing dancing instructions for those girls interested during her 5th period gym and 7th period Home Ec. classes.

A freshman boy found out that you don't wear your gym suit over your sweat pants. It's quite embarrassing to reverse them, especially if there is a woman in the room . . . isn't it, Ted?

Do you like to talk a lot, and find it necessary to draw imaginary pictures of everything happening with your hands and arms? SID WILSON has this habit, and one day last month she was so involved in one of her picture stories that she didn't realize she had hit PAM TURVER. Pam, at that moment, was curling her eyelashes . . . but that's okay, Sid; eyelashes sometimes grow back!

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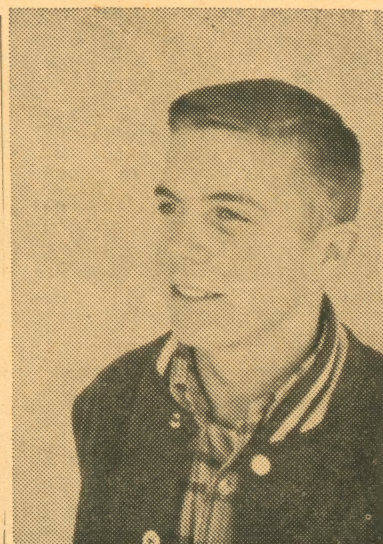
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Senior Profiles

Some students around Acalanes might be surprised to see SUE PENNINGTON in the middle of an intersection banging her fist on the engine of her '35 Plymouth in an effort to persuade her car to run. Besides pounding on her car, Sue's other hobbies are collecting antiques (from a coffee grinder to a crank phonograph), horse-back riding, trying to play the guitar (you will frequently find Sue surrounded by singers), listening to folksingers (Joan Baez, Pete Seiger, and the Chad Mitchell Trio), and various forms of art (knowing Sue, probably very abstract!).

Activities Sue has participated in include being art editor for the AKLAN and, in the past, secretary of the Medical Club. She has also been on Rally for the football and basketball seasons. Sue has gotten more of a name for herself from working behind the scenes than from always being "on stage." She is the one person who is always there, on the dance committees, plays, or programs. You name it, she's usually been working on it!

Sue's likes and dislikes range from loving "chocolate anything" to an intense hatred of math. "I really enjoy school," she tried to explain, "honest!" Sue's favorite expression is "rats." Sue has had so many embarrassing moments that she was unable to recall a single incident, (or maybe she just didn't want to recall one!) Sue's favorite sports are ice skating and water skiing; she also enjoys watching various types of sports, especially hockey and horse racing.

A Commercial Art major will keep Sue busy next year at either Oregon State University or the University of Puget Sound. Sue selected these schools since she has had the opportunity to see the Northwest on her summer vacation trips and because, of all things, she is particularly fond of the rain! No doubt Sue will be able to wade around in the rain quite often.

I calmly asked RICH FISHER what he did in his spare time.

"What spare time?" he exclaimed. "I didn't know there was such a thing!"

Besides being the Secretary-Treasurer of the Block "A" Society, Rich is also a member of such organizations as Student Council, Student Control, Fleur de Lys and Alcahonors. Outside the school, Rich is the active president of Young Life.

Sports also occupy much of Rich's time. This year he was the lightest member of the varsity football team. Now he is very busy with wrestling. In his sophomore year he placed third in the Foothill League, while in his junior year he was second. Now, in his senior year, it seems natural that Rich wants to be in first place and go on to the North Coast Tournament.

"Now, during the season, wrestling is my life," Rich stated.

"No kidding!" piped in Timm Nielson, who was sitting near by. "He hardly will talk about anything else unless its starts with a 'W'!"

Rich loves food, but must diet for wrestling. He added that "he just doesn't understand the people who throw away good food in the cafeteria. There we are . . . starving."

Besides food, Rich enjoys "just about everything," including "tennis, driving around in my car, The 'B.C.' and 'Peanuts' comic

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ACALANE'S RALLIES

SMUTTY

Dear Editor,

The people who supposedly have the most spirit at this school organize "rallies" before games to get everyone interested. But the shocking exhibition that took place on Friday shows clearly that they are just "rah-rah" people and fakers who use their position to climb socially and put themselves in the limelight. The Rally Committee, cheerleaders, pom pon girls, and majorettes, I presume, dreamed up that skit. But why exactly? To promote a fervor to go to the game and see the boys win? No. Instead they appealed to everyone's sense of doing and seeing things that are slightly dirty. The bulldog episode, the girl's costumes, and especially the boy pom ponnies were shameful. How does showing everyone dirty and suggestive skits and pantomimes encourage the basketball players?

If our school leaders feel that is the way, they need help badly. Calling rallies like that "school spirit" indicates their hypocrisy. These "rah-rah" people who feign spirit for an excuse for rallies of the kind we had to watch last Friday should be replaced.

Phil Nolan, '65.

strips, my two German Shepherds (Heidi and Bernie) and bicycling." Timm added that he has ten gears on this bicycle he rides. (Did I hear right? Ten gears?)

WHEN Rich can get away, he likes to listen to records. "I like to get alone by myself sometimes." Rich enjoys "progressive jazz and folk singing, especially Peter, Paul and Mary." He also likes to ski (both water-skiing and snow-skiing). Rich went to Hawaii last year, and now also enjoys surfing.

Rich will attend the University of California at Berkeley as a pre-med student next year. He also plans to join a fraternity. Well that's a full schedule!

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TRAVELING TEACHER FEATURED

Acalanes High School has one of the most traveled teachers within the school district. Mr. Garvey, a member of the language staff, has traveled through a total of 18 different foreign countries.

His travels began in the summer of 1944 when he was taken into France during the Normandy Invasion of the Second World War. From there he traveled through Belgium and into Germany with the invasion forces. He was in Germany with the occupation forces until the winter

of 1945. After his return to the United States, he finished his college studies at the Berkeley campus of the University of California.

Upon his graduation from Cal, Mr. Garvey joined the foreign service and was sent to Rumania. On Christmas Eve of 1947 he arrived in Bucharest, Rumania, on his first assignment as a member of the foreign service. Mr. Garvey remained in Rumania for two years. During his stay there, he visited the countries of Czechoslovakia and Austria.

Mr. Garvey states that Rumania was a country of great abundance during that time. The peasants always had a surplus of food. The land was amazingly fertile and lush.

From Rumania Mr. Garvey traveled to Moscow in the fall of 1951 after serving in Europe. He was in Moscow for two years and had the experience of being in Moscow when Moscow died. During his stay in Moscow, he also spent some time in a German prisoner-of-war camp. The prison was located in Berlin so he gained a first-hand view of what the Berlin people are like. They are, Mr. Garvey reports, an amazing kind of people. They have a great drive and enthusiasm that is unique. After being in Moscow, Mr. Garvey came back to the United States and set up residence in California.



MR. GARVEY

Mr. Garvey participated December 13-14 in national foreign language test planning at Princeton, New Jersey. Mr. Garvey is a member of the scholastic team of teachers of Russian language working under the College Entrance Examination Board developing standardized achievement tests to determine student proficiency.

The tests are used by schools and colleges to measure pupil foreign language achievement for placement and admissions consideration. Mr. Garvey was reappointed to the College Entrance Board's Russian language test committee for a second term. Mr. Garvey is the only educator from the West Coast and the only public school foreign language instructor included on the Russian language committee.

As a part of his trip to the east, Mr. Garvey visited the Modern Language Materials Development Center in New York City.

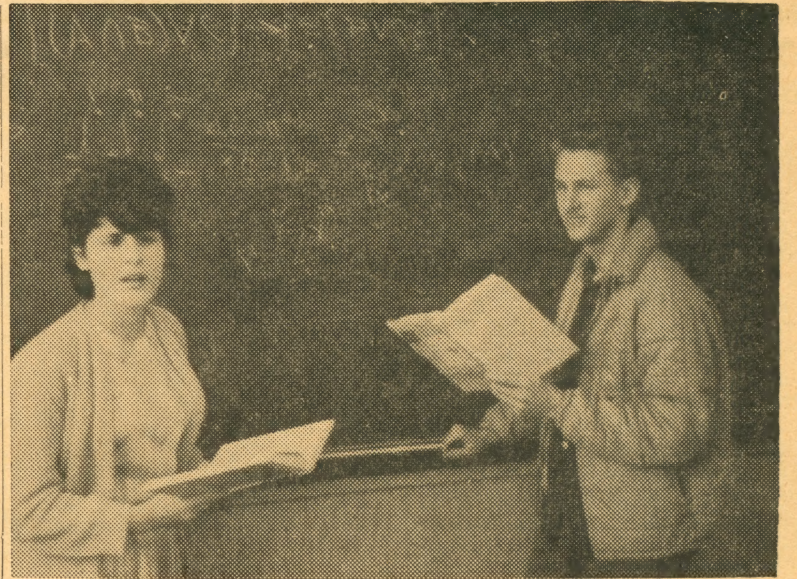
"Congratulations" To Teachers

"Congrats" are in order for Mr. Whyte, Mr. Muldoon, and Mr. Olson who have become the parents of baby boys, born between November and January.

Scott Gilmour, Mr. Whyte's 8 lb. 15½ ounce boy "looks like his old man," but Mr. Whyte's first reaction was that Scott resembled his grand uncle James, the Winston Churchill type! Since this was Mr. Whyte's first child, he was naturally a little more nervous than Mr. Muldoon and Mr. Olson. "I let the dishes collect in the sink" said Mr. Whyte, in reply to how he managed with his wife in the hospital. But Mr. Whyte is catching on quickly and already he has a philosophy for raising children. "I'm too new at the art of parenthood to know any more than pick them up when they're dry and change them when they cry."

For Mr. Muldoon, English I instructor, having a boy was a new experience after four girls. His son, Larry James, was born 36 days ago and weighed 8 lbs. 5 ounces at birth. His first reaction was how happy his wife would be. "She wanted a boy a lot." Mr. Muldoon wasn't really nervous at all, and waited at the hospital for the arrival while his mother-in-law "sat" with his own daughters—Erin, Linn, Kerry, and Lori. Answering quickly, Mr. Muldoon is sure that the best philosophy for raising children is "strict discipline with lots of love."

Mr. Olson agrees with Mr. Muldoon's philosophy and says, "you've got to have lots of love, and punishment when required." His adopted son, Craig Michael was 23 inches long at birth and weighed 8 lbs. Mr. Whyte's and Mr. Muldoon's sons were each 21 inches long. This is Mr. Olson's second adoption. His first was a daughter, Karen, who is now two years old. Craig is about one and a half months old. Mr. Olson's first reaction was of course different from either Mr. Whyte's or Mr. Muldoon's, and was one of "curiosity." Although the question, "How did you manage while your wife was in the hospital?" is not pertinent to Mr. Olson's new son, he answered frankly, "I got the baby without her."



Two Acalanes High School students, Ed Steller and Laura Vacco, scored in the top ten per cent of the participants in a Santa Clara University Mathematics Contest for high school pupils.

More than eight hundred and fifty students from seventy-six San Francisco Bay Area high schools competed in the sixth annual Santa Clara; math contest.

The contest centered around a three-hour examination consisting of "non-routine" problems in mathematics designed to "test ingenuity and originality." The two top scorers were part of a team of seven Acalanes High School Math Club members who took part in the contest, under the auspices of their advisor, math instructor, Harold Oxsen. These students included Bob Bennett, Allan Hunt, Rich Pinser, Bruce Shepard, and Dana Vance.

COLLEGE BOUND

By MARCIA GRAHAM

A freshman in college faces an entirely new way of life. He may or may not assume a mature attitude toward his newly achieved independence. He finds himself having to make decisions of a different nature than those he has had to make before. Whether he is going to a junior college or to an exclusive private institution, he must be prepared to face the unknown.

Some state colleges offer an upside-down course of study, in which one chooses his major and begins to work on it in his freshman year. Cal Poly at San Luis Obispo is one such school. More commonly, a student does not make any definite schedule decisions until his junior or senior year, but takes general required courses. At Stanford, there is a General Studies program, which presents all students from specializing too much. Typical freshman survey courses include English, Western Civilization, and Physical Science. Freshman courses at practically all school, including Cal, include English and some form of both history and science.

All people who wish to go to college must consider many fac-

tors. Not only must one be able to be accepted to a particular school, but he must also have reasons for feeling that the academic program is within his capabilities. The size of a school is also important. Some people adjust well in a large school, but others feel lost and prefer smaller schools.

Another of the many questions concerning colleges which arises is whether to attend a co-educational college or not. Of course the curriculum of the specific college has a great deal to do with the making of this decision. Some people find it easier to study in a non-coeducational college. It is also interesting to note that men's colleges and women's colleges are most often located conveniently near each other.

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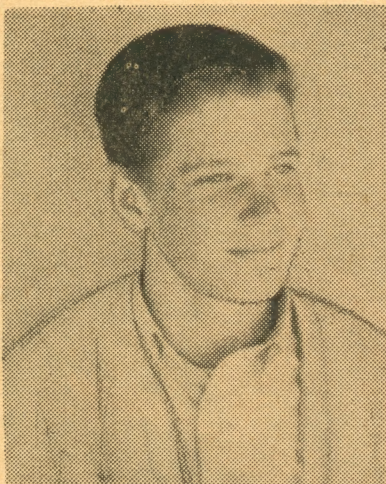
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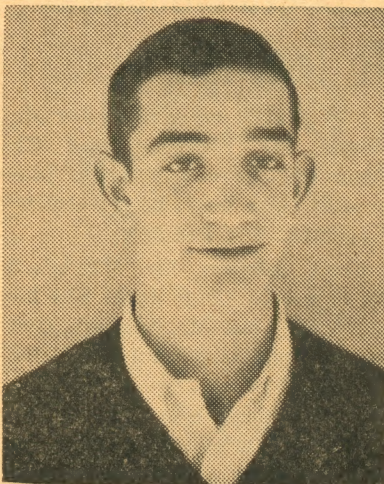
Malley, Seely, Scott Chosen for Basketball, Wrestling

Greg Malley, Fred Seely, and Steve Scott have been chosen Athletes of the Week for the period between Dec. 11 and Jan. 11. Greg and Fred participate on the basketball team and Steve is a wrestler.

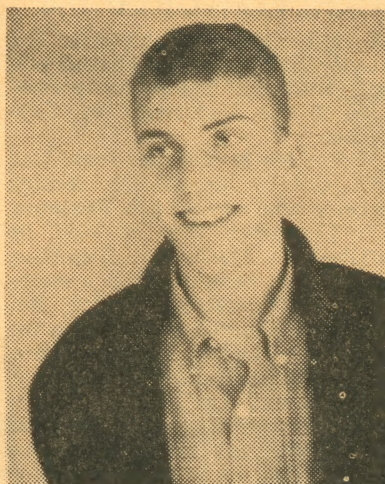
Greg Malley, that 6'7" "giant" was chosen Athlete of the Week for his performance Dec. 17 against Ygnacio Valley, where he scored 22 points in an exhibition of exceptional basketball skill. Greg's interest in basketball was aroused mainly because of his height, and he has used it to his advantage, usually scoring about 13 points a game. Basketball is really the only sport which Greg enjoys avidly and recommends



STEVE SCOTT



GREG MALLEY



FRED SEELY

that to be successful in basketball "you've got to get in on the rebounds."

Fred Seely, optional right or left forward is one of the really versatile members of the Don basketball team. Fred was chosen for his excellent performance in the three game match with Del Valle where he played a terrific offensive game. In contrast to Greg, Fred enjoys other sports as well as basketball, such as baseball and, "other sports in general." Fred answered frankly, when asked the question if he would like to change any of the rules in basketball, that I'd leave them the way they are." Greg Malley laughed a little when answering the same question and said, "have the basket lower 1/8."

Steve Scott's wrestling skill was rewarded when he was picked as Athlete of the Week for his high score against Clayton Valley on Dec. 11. When it's not wrestling season Steve is interested in skiing and baseball. Steve tries to master every hold, but he says the toughest holds he was ever in included the cradle and the cross-body. A suggestion to success in wrestling from one of the "titans" is that you "watch your footwork." Also, contrary to common knowledge, Steve says that "wrestling is not so much strength, but speed and agility that counts."

Continued success in their sports is insured because all three boys work hard, and their efforts have paid off. It's a good thing that these great athletes don't go to another school.

A DON SPEAKS OUT

The argument always waxes and wanes about the amount of publicity due each team, also the amount the spectator participation due each sport. Unfortunately when all things are considered the same

I think it's about time that the Blueprint started Blueprinting some of the personal opinions of its readers.

About this time each season there always begins an annual argument between members and fans of the current sports teams. results always makes themselves known. Things just never happen as they should. People tend to go to the more publicized performances, and let's face it, they hear more about basketball games and football games than they hear about wrestling matches, swim meets, or cross country meets. They see them on television, in newspapers, and at school plastered all over the halls. So naturally they're well aware and much more interested in these sports.

In the opinion of the sports staff the wrestling team, the swim team, and the baseball team deserve as much credit and enthusiasm as the more publicized sports. But as the proverbial phrase goes, "tough luck," and things just don't look like they're going to change. I really can't find blame in it either. About now it just isn't the thing to do to, go to a wrestling match or a swim meet or even a track meet. There aren't any swimming, baseball, wrestling or tennis rallies and not many posters, in fact there hasn't ever been a portion of a rally devoted to the teams. When the first basketball game was coming there was a gala introduction of the team, yells and even some stupid skit. When the game was over the team had lost. Nothing had been said about the wrestling team, but they ended up by defeating a team that hadn't been beaten in five years. Sounds kind of silly, but maybe the wrestling team did deserve a small introduction at the rally. Could be a few posters in the halls would have been nice, too.

This goes for all sports other than the main sports, or so-called

main sports. As said earlier we're not trying to change the course of a river we're just giving off a feeble cry.

Anybody that wants to say anything about any sport is hereby challenged to speak up. This is the first letter that I have received so far, I hope it isn't the last.

Dear Sports Editor:

Have you ever passed a group of girls in the halls letting out such choice phrases as "It just gives me the chills," or "How can they stand to get out there and grab each other," and the classic phrase "How can they stand to get hurt like that?"

You've probably heard things like this because they are the typical remarks of girls talking about a wrestling match. But nothing could be more far from the truth, it just isn't the real idea of high school wrestling.


Most girls have preferred to stay away from wrestling matches because "the body contact would be detesting to the stomach." They don't want to see a bloody nose or a bumped head or even a twisted arm.

The truth is, if a girl wants to watch a cleaner sport than wrestling, she should try swimming. In wrestling almost all painful holds are barred, and one is rarely hurt or injured in a match. No nasty trick can be used, as in football, and no foul language can be used because the referee is right in close to the action.

Most of the people who go to a wrestling match and understand even part of it think its "choice" or a boss sport." Virginia Stone even said "I love it. When is the next match!" They said these things because they're part of the excitement of a quick moving sport, the efficient use of skillful holds, or the use of great strength in the winning of a match. They overlooked the occasional bloody nose and bumped head and saw the advantages of skill, speed, strength and body conditioning. They realized that each wrestler is on his own on the mat, with no one to help him. They found themselves living every moment with every wrestler they're rooting for.

Because of the fact that about one of every nine boys went out for wrestling, a greater understanding of the sport should be attained by all students. Those who have never seen a match should get out and see one for themselves. If they lend themselves to trying to understand it they can't help but enjoy it and gain more appreciation for this sport.

received a foul shot. But the buzzer had already sounded.



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DONS NIP ALHAMBRA 62-32 SQUEAK PAST MIRAMONTE 41-40

Once again the Acalanes basketball team is off to a tremendous start. In their first league game of the 1964 season the Dons viciously attacked the Alhambra Bulldogs at the losers gym.

Led by outstanding individual performances from Greg Malley and Lee Newell, who combined for 38 of the Dons 62 points, the Dons easily surpassed the Bulldog five with their finesse. Fortunately for Alhambra the Acalanes reserves came in during the fourth quarter to hold the score down a bit, but with such outstanding players as Phil Gilmour, Tom Alexander, Jim Medak, Dale Speyer, Bob Siefker, Don Albright, and Mike Halleck, the Dons couldn't help but pile on a few points before the final buzzer ended.

The game was Acalanes all the way, as they built up an early lead and never lost it. With Strain and Tietig alternating at the guard spot as Lee Newell's accomplices the Don's connected with numerous outside shots to give Greg Malley a little break, as he was being double teamed constantly underneath the rim. The final score was 62 to 32, starting Acalanes on another successful season in its tough F.A.L. competition.

The Don's real test came against visiting Miramonte who was selected as most likely to capture the league crown. The entire game was touch and go with Acalanes seemingly to pull ahead in the tight spots, but the Don's, who, in some cases, lacked some

of the Matadors sloppiness managed to eek out a thriller, 41-40.

Fine individual performances were again given by Malley and Newell, both Juniors, who are tough contenders for all-league nominations. Newell is averaging about 14 points a game, and has proven he can handle the tough competition of varsity basketball. Malley, with height on his side, has been, so far, untouchable in the first two league games. The big center is averaging about 22 points in league competition.

At half time the Don's left the court with a slim 3 point lead, but after the third quarter they had managed to put 3 more to that total.

With five seconds to go the ball was at half court in the Matador hands. They quickly passed it in to a Miramonte player, who took a jumper from the top of the key. The shot missed, and a tip-in came close, but the real shock came when Miramonte shot again and made it, and to top it off,

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